

(Washington, DC) - Congressman Herger today voted in favor of H.R. 2641, the fiscal year 2008 Energy and Water Appropriations bill. The measure includes funding for several important flood protection projects in California's Second Congressional District that were supported by Congressman Herger. Herger made the following comment regarding House passage:

"Northern California is in dire need of additional flood protection," Herger stated. "I'm pleased the House of Representatives has passed legislation that would address this need. The measure would fund several high priority projects that will help protect homes and communities in our area that are especially vulnerable to flooding. Many residents of Northern California have experienced the devastating consequences of flooding firsthand. We must do everything we can to protect Northern Californian families and agriculture from future flooding. I will continue to work to ensure that flood protection in Northern California remains a top priority of Congress."

- Hamilton City Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Project

- \$500,000 to continue "Preconstruction Engineering and Design" (PED) activities for the Hamilton City J Levee flood protection project.

- Sutter County Feasibility Study

- \$339,000 to complete a feasibility study that will develop levee improvement alternatives for Sutter County.

- Sacramento River Bank Protection Project

- \$23,761,000 to correct additional erosion sites in various sections of the Sacramento River and tributary levees.

- Yuba River Basin Project

- \$1,200,000 to enable the Corps of Engineers to complete a General Reevaluation Report and certify advanced levee construction underway in the county.